## BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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Docket No. R97-1

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
WITNESS PAFFORD TO INTERROGATORY OF
NASHUA PHOTO INC., DISTRICT PHOTO INC.,
MYSTIC COLOR LAB, AND SEATTLE FILMWORKS, INC.
(NDMS/USPS-T32—29(C) REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS FRONK)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response of witness Pafford to the following interrogatory of Nashua Photo Inc., District Photo Inc., Mystic Color Lab, and Seattle Filmworks, Inc., and redirected from witness Fronk: NDMS/USPS-T32—29(c), filed on August 26, 1997.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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## ANSWERS OF BRADLEY V. PAFFORD TO INTERROGATORY OF NDMS (REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS FRONK)

NDMS/USPS-T32-29.

c. Please indicate how letters and flats are determined to be nonstandard when the raw data are collected. (i) Do data collectors only count as nonstandard those pieces that have postage for the nonstandard surcharge affixed? If not, (ii) are letters measured and the aspect ratio computed? (iii) Are flats weighed?

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- c. Single piece rate not claimed at a card rate is nonstandard if any of the following apply: thickness exceeds ¼ inch; length exceeds 11 ½ inches; height exceeds 6 1/8 inches; or length divided by height is less than 1.3 or more than 2.5.
  - i. No.
  - ii. If the ratio of length to height is near the boundary limits noted above, the data collector will measure the mail piece.
  - iii. Yes.

## **DECLARATION**

I, Bradley V. Pafford, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

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Dated: <u>7-9-97</u>

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

Ánne B. Reynolds

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